

United States Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service Pennsylvania Field Office Cooperating with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture



2002 Census of Agriculture House District Profile

Partial funding provided by the Pennsylvania State Council of Farm Organizations

House District 50, Pennsylvania

Number of farms	998		
Land in farms (acres)	155,431		
Average size of farm (acres)	156		
Irrigated Acres	69		
Total Number of Farm Operators	1,466		
Market Value of Production (dollars)	8,817,000		
Market Value of Production, average per farm (dollars)	8,835		
Government Payments (dollars)	197,000		
Government Payments, average per farm (dollars)	2,493		
Gross Income from Farms Related Sources (dollars) 1/	154,000		
FARMS BY SIZE			
1-9 Acres/Farm	17		
10-49 Acres/Farm	199		
50-179 Acres/Farm	496		
180-499 Acres/Farm	252		
500-999 Acres/Farm	27		
1,000+ Acres/Farm	7		
LAND USE			
Farms with Cropland	885		
Farms with Woodland	692		
Farms with Other	596		
Farms with Pasture and Rangeland	424		
	Quantity	State rank	Universe 2/
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	8,817	81	179
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) 3/			
Grains and oilseeds	96	115	147
Tobacco	-		30
Cotton and cottonseed	-		
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	550	61	152
Fruit, tree nuts, and berries	76	103	144
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture and sod crops	859	95	166
Cut Christmas trees and woody crops	(D)	(D)	132
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	129
Cattle and calves	3,650	35	146
Milk products	1,697	86	126
Hogs and pigs	59	78	127
Sheep, goats, and their products	233	9	134
Horses, ponies, mules	185	30	130
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	86

2301 N Cameron St, Rm G-19 · Harrisburg, PA 17110 (717) 787-3904 · (717) 782-4011 FAX · www.nass.usda.gov

House District 50, Pennsylvania (continued)

	Quantity	State rank	Universe 2/
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)			
Cattle and calves	18,938	27	150
Sheep and lambs	4,798	1	140
Horses and ponies	1,638	17	153
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,537	65	137
Pheasants	1,446	20	96
	-		
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)			
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and green chop	42,765	8	158
Corn for grain	1,118	103	141
Corn for silage	1,008	74	134
Short-rotation woody crops	467	5	106
All Vegetables harvested	309	47	151
	-		
FARMS BY VALUE OF SALES			
Less than \$1,000	394		
\$1,000 to \$2,499	162		
\$2,500 to \$4,999	163		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	112		
\$10,000 to \$19,999	92		
\$20,000 to \$24,999	14		
\$25,000 to \$39,999	18		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	14		
\$50,000 to \$99,999	14		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	9		
\$250,000 to \$499,999	6		
\$500,000 or more	-		
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	12,378		
Average per farm (dollars)	13,043		
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (\$1,000)	-2,635		
Average per farm (dollars)	-2,777		
PRINCIPAL OPERATORS BY PRIMARY OCCUPATION			
Farming	461		
Other	537		
PRINCIPAL OPERATORS BY GENDER			
Male	900		
Female	98		
Average age of principal operator (years)	56		
ALL OPERATORS BY RACE 4/			
White	1,445		
Black or African American	2		
American Indian or Alaska Native	-		
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-		
Asian	-		
More than one race	5		
All operators with Spanish, Hispanic or Latino Origin 4/	8		

(D) Cannot be disclosed.

- 1/ Custom work, farm rent, forest products, recreational services, cooperative dividends, animal boarding, tax refunds, etc.
- 2/ Universe is the number of house districts in the state with the item. Pennsylvania has 203 house districts.
- 3/ Categories are not comprehensive and will not sum to total.
- 4/ Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.
- 5/ Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line. Position in the table does not indicate rank.